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Miners Hill Virginia
Feb 20. 1862

My dear Jennie:

As I will not be able to write to you for several days to come, I thought I would drop you these few words so that you might understand the reason. We are going on picket and will not come back to Camp until next Sunday afternoon. In the mean time if any letter comes here for me it will be sent out to me.

Somebody in camp has given me an overwhelming Puff in the Irish American. I send it enclosed.

The travelling is improved much since I wrote

Ad. I also enclose resolutions
on death of Colonel Beard

They were written by me and
you will observe the intima-
-tion in one of them that
we intend to raise a fund
for his wife. In the course
of two or three months, if
the war by that time does
not increase the number of
widows enormously, we intend
to make poor Mrs. Beard as com-
-fortable as we can.

to you lost. The mud is degene-
-rating. It was a nasty mud - not
even "respectable" enough, as
Byron says, "to perish" in. How-
-ever, it is prudent that we
should ~~chant~~ not chant the
Requiem for old King-mud yet,
as a single rain storm would
resuscitate the dirty old fellow.

My dear friend when
are you coming? do tell me.
But be sure and come precise
ly when you say you will. do
not miss the train. Can you
not come on with Capt. Scanlin
? The road is long and lonely
without company. How is my
little bear? How is sister Lizzie?
Remember me to my friends
Bangshell, Mulvey, Mrs. C. and Mr.
Miss Cressy - in fact, to all hands?
Yours P.B.S.